

Arroyo Grande Girls Upset Monterey Belles

Sparklettes Score 18-14 Win Over Coast Area Champs

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ARROYO GRANDE, March 8—After battering on the portals of basketball fame for four years, the Arroyo Grande Sparklettes have finally crashed the gates if a victory over the Monterey Belles, Northern California YWBA finalists, means anything.

The Belles, who came for a two-game fray against South Central Coast teams, were given a rude setback in the first encounter when Arroyo aiming at recognition in more populous centers of the sport upset the dope sheet by administering an 18-14 defeat. Monterey easily disposed of the Guadalupe Starlettes in the other game, 21-all.

The Belles-Sparklettes affair was noteworthy for its defensive excellence. Arroyo's star guard, Iso Kobara, the outstanding backcourt player in the game, held the high-scoring Mickey Enokida to 7 points, and the alertness of her two companion guards kept the combined score of the other two Monterey forwards to another 7 markers.

On the other end of the court the Monterey defensive players employing the zone defense, an oddity in girl's games in this district, effectively hampered Arroyo's forwards to the extent that they were held under their usual quota of goals.

Monterey in this game showed a balanced team which had strength in both defensive and offensive departments. Arroyo as usual showed a much stronger defense.

Against the Starlettes the Belles were a tired team but Guadalupe did not seem to stand a chance at any time in the game. The Guadalupe forwards in particular gave disappointing performances. In this game Enokida and M. Oyama gave a good exhibition of their shooting skill.

ARROYO GRANDE SPARKLET-
TES (18)—Carrie Nakamura 6, Helen Fuchiwaki 2, June Oro 2, Nami Kobara 8, Lilly Fuchiwaki, Machiye Nakamura, Sachiko Kawaoka, Iso Kobara.

MONTEREY BELLES (14)—M. Enokida 7, Oyama 4, Owashi 3, R. Oda, Y. Oyama, S. Takigawa.

MONTEREY BELLES (21)—F. Owashi 2, M. Oyama 8, M. Enokida 11, R. Oda, S. Takigaya, Y. Oyama.

GUADALUPE STARLET-
TES (11)—Okamoto 2, Kaneshige 3, M. Tsuda 6, R. Murakami, Y. Saki, M. Morishita, Sakai.